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To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the development and operation of centers to conduct research with respect to contraception and centers to conduct research with respect to infertility, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. PACKWOOD, HATFIELD, and Mr. LIEBERMAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Contraceptive and In-
5 fertility Research Centers Act of 1993”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONTRACEPTIVE AND INFERTILITY RESEARCH**
2 **CENTERS.**

3 (a) RESEARCH CENTERS.—Subpart 7 of part C of
4 title IV of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 285g
5 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following
6 new section:

7 **“SEC. 452A. RESEARCH CENTERS WITH RESPECT TO CON-**
8 **TRACEPTION AND INFERTILITY.**

9 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Institute,
10 after consultation with the advisory council for the Insti-
11 tute, shall make grants to, or enter into contracts with,
12 public or nonprofit private entities for the development
13 and operation of centers to conduct activities for the pur-
14 pose of improving methods of contraception and centers
15 to conduct activities for the purpose of diagnosing and
16 treating infertility.

17 “(b) NUMBER OF CENTERS.—In carrying out sub-
18 section (a), the Director of the Institute shall, subject to
19 the extent of amounts made available in appropriations
20 Acts, provide for the establishment of three centers with
21 respect to contraception and for two centers with respect
22 to infertility.

23 “(c) DUTIES.—

24 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Each center assisted under
25 this section shall, in carrying out the purpose of the
26 center involved—

1 “(A) conduct clinical and other applied re-
2 search, including—

3 “(i) for centers with respect to contra-
4 ception, clinical trials of new or improved
5 drugs and devices for use by males and by
6 females (including barrier methods); and

7 “(ii) for centers with respect to infer-
8 tility, clinical trials of new or improved
9 drugs and devices for the diagnosis and
10 treatment of infertility in both males and
11 females;

12 “(B) develop protocols for training physi-
13 cians, scientists, nurses, and other health and
14 allied health professionals;

15 “(C) conduct training programs for such
16 individuals;

17 “(D) develop model continuing education
18 programs for such professionals; and

19 “(E) disseminate information to such pro-
20 fessionals.

21 “(2) STIPENDS AND FEES.—A center may use
22 funds provided under subsection (a) to provide sti-
23 pendes for health and allied health professionals en-
24 rolled in programs described in subparagraph (C) of
25 paragraph (1), and to provide fees to individuals

1 serving as subjects in clinical trials conducted under
2 such paragraph.

3 “(d) COORDINATION OF INFORMATION.—The Direc-
4 tor of the Institute shall, as appropriate, provide for the
5 coordination of information among the centers assisted
6 under this section.

7 “(e) CONSORTIUM.—Each center assisted under this
8 section shall use the facilities of a single institution, or
9 be formed from a consortium of cooperating institutions,
10 meeting such requirements as may be prescribed by the
11 Secretary, after consultation with the Director of the In-
12 stitute.

13 “(f) TERM OF SUPPORT AND PEER REVIEW.—Sup-
14 port of a center under subsection (a) may be for a period
15 of not to exceed 5 years. Such period may be extended
16 for one or more additional periods of not to exceed 5 years
17 if the operations of such center have been reviewed by an
18 appropriate technical and scientific peer review group es-
19 tablished by the Director and if such group has rec-
20 ommended to the Director that such period should be ex-
21 tended.

22 “(g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—To
23 carry out this section, there are authorized to be appro-
24 priated \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 1994, and such sums
25 as may be necessary for fiscal years 1995 through 1998.”.

1 (b) LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM FOR RESEARCH
2 WITH RESPECT TO CONTRACEPTION AND INFERTILITY.—
3 Part F of title IV of such Act (42 U.S.C. 288 et seq.)
4 is amended by inserting after section 487A the following
5 new section:

6 **“SEC. 487B. LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM FOR RESEARCH**
7 **WITH RESPECT TO CONTRACEPTION AND IN-**
8 **FERTILITY.**

9 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary, after con-
10 sultation with the Director of the National Institute of
11 Child Health and Human Development, shall establish a
12 program to enter into agreements with appropriately
13 qualified health professionals (including graduate stu-
14 dents) under which such health professionals shall agree
15 to conduct research with respect to contraception, or with
16 respect to infertility, in consideration of the Secretary
17 agreeing to repay, for each year of such service, not to
18 exceed \$20,000 of the principal and interest of the edu-
19 cational loans incurred by such health professionals.

20 “(b) ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.—With respect to
21 the National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Pro-
22 gram established in subpart III of part D of title III, the
23 provisions of such subpart shall, except as inconsistent
24 with subsection (a), apply to the program established in
25 such subsection to the same extent and in the same man-

1 ner as such provisions apply to the National Health Serv-
2 ice Loan Repayment Program.

3 “(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—To carry out this section,
5 there are authorized to be appropriated such sums
6 as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years
7 1994 through 1996.

8 “(2) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Amounts ap-
9 propriated under paragraph (1) for a fiscal year
10 shall remain available until the expiration of the sec-
11 ond fiscal year beginning after the fiscal year for
12 which the amounts were appropriated.”.

13 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
14 this section shall become effective on the date of the enact-
15 ment of this Act.

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